What We Need to Know about the Janssen Vaccine Information for Patients & Providers

Effective April 23, 2021, <u>CDC and FDA</u> recommended the use of the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine (Johnson & Johnson) resume in the United States. The available data show that the vaccine's **known and potential benefits outweigh its known and potential risks. The Janssen COVID-19 vaccine is able to be administered to people 18 years and older who want to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

How safe is the Janssen vaccine?

There is a risk of a rare but serious condition involving blood clots and low platelets in people after receiving the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine. This problem is rare and happened in about 7 per 1 million vaccinated women between 18 and 49 years old. For women 50 years and older and men of any age, this problem is even more rare.

What are the benefits of the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine?

In an ongoing clinical trial, the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine has been shown to prevent COVID-19 following a single dose. It has also shown 100% efficacy against hospitalization and death from the virus. The duration of protection against COVID-19 is currently unknown.

Should I still get vaccinated with the Janssen vaccine or other vaccines to protect against COVID-19?

<u>YES</u>, Experts agree that all COVID-19 vaccines help prevent COVID-19 disease, especially severe illness and death. There are other COVID-19 vaccine options available in which this specific risk has not been seen. Consider if you are able and willing to complete a two-dose mRNA vaccine series, as you need two doses of the other two vaccines (Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna).

Learn more by talking with your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist, or visit our website: www.azdhs.gov/covid19

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